

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

The Examiner rejected claims 1-3, 6-9, 14-17, 21 and 38-42 under 35 U.S.C. 102(b) as anticipated by Doolittle, U.S. Patent No. 5,237,952.

All claims of the pending application have been amended to add the limitation that the center of buoyancy of the submersible is in close proximity to the center of gravity. This limitation is disclosed in the application at Page 22, line 21 to Page 23, line 6. The proximity of the center of buoyancy and the center of gravity are necessary for maneuverability of the submersible.

The applicant submits that none of the cited prior art including Doolittle and Rowe, discloses or suggests a submersible that has a center of buoyancy in close proximity to the center of gravity.


Claims 38 and 66 have also been amended to remove the "ailerons" limitation.

The applicant respectfully submits that Claims 1-89 are patentable over the cited prior art and request that they be allowed. The Examiner is encouraged to call the undersigned collect at (415) 705-6377 if there are any outstanding issues or questions which can be resolved to allow this application to be passed to issue.

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